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Leroy Dickson et al.  
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This is a decision on the petition under 37 CFR 1.137(b), filed June 23, 1999, and status inquiry submitted April 14, 2003, to revive the above-identified application.

The petition is granted.

The above-identified application became abandoned for failure to reply in a timely manner to the non-final Office action mailed August 7, 2000, which set a shortened statutory period for reply of three (3) months. No extensions of time under the provisions of 37 CFR 1.136(a) have been obtained. Accordingly, the above-identified application became abandoned on February 8, 2001.

**This application is being revived solely for purposes of continuity with a continued prosecution application (CPA) filed on June 23, 1999.**

The application file is being forwarded to Technology Center AU 2876 for processing the CPA filed June 23, 1999.

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